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For: METHOD OF STARTING AND STOPPING METHANOL REFORMING  
APPARATUS AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPLYING FUEL TO SAID APPARATUS

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT**

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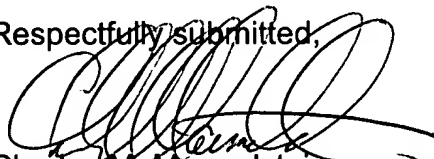
Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests that the Patent and Trademark Office acknowledge receipt of the priority documents for the above-identified application.

The priority documents were filed with the parent application 09/725,808 on November 30, 2000. Copies of the transmittal letter, the front cover of the priority documents and the stamped postcard receipt are enclosed in support of this request.

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Enclosures: Copy of Transmittal Letter; Copy of Front page of Priority documents;  
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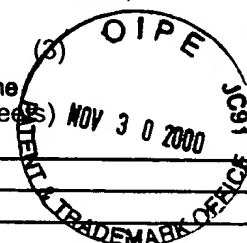
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): METHOD OF STARTING AND STOPPING METHANOL REFORMING  
APPARATUS AND APPARATUS FOR SUPPLYING FUEL TO SAID  
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- XX 42 pages of Specification / Claims 1 - 9 / Abstract are attached.
- XX Drawings (Figs. 1 - 6; 6 sheets) are attached.
- XX A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- XX An assignment of the invention to HONDA GIKEN KOGYO KABUSHIKI KAISHA and MITSUBISHI GAS CHEMICAL CO., INC. is attached, along with Form PTO-1595.
- XX Priority of Japanese Patent Application No. 11-341442; filed November 30, 1999; Japanese Patent Application No. 11-341443; filed November 30, 1999; and Japanese Patent Application No. 11-341444; filed November 30, 1999 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- XX Certified copies of the above corresponding foreign applications are attached.

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